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## WES CLARK, EARLY PIONEER, IS DEAD

END COMES FOLLOWING MONTH  
SIEGE OF ILLNESS; FUN-  
ERAL UNCERTAIN

Wes. Clark, a highly respected farmer residing between Groton and Stratford, died Tuesday afternoon at his home, following an illness with the flu and its complications, from which he has been suffering since the first of the year.

Along during the first week in January Mr. Clark was seized with the flu, and in a short time apparently shook off the attack of the malady. A while afterward, however, he was down with neuritis, and he had apparently recovered from this when a disturbance appeared on his tongue which gave indications of becoming quite severe in time. But his physician apparently had this late ailment under control, when he was seized with a reaction of the flu, which caused his death.

Mr. Clark has been a resident of Brown county for the past forty years. He was born at Bodi, Wis., and upon coming to this locality, settled near Frederick, where he was connected with the railroad being built into that place. In 1908 he married Mrs. Mary Rapp and since that betrothal the couple have made their home on a farm southwest of Groton.

He leaves to mourn his loss his grief-stricken wife and two brothers and two sisters, beside other relatives. The sisters are Mrs. Elizabeth Hardy, of Durand, Wis.; Mrs. Lora Ostrander, of McFarlane, Wis.; James Clark, of Mitchell, and Frank Clark, of Cleveland, Ohio.

The body is being prepared for burial at the Paetznick parlors and the funeral will be arranged when word is received from those related to him and living out of town.

Mr. Clark was an industrious citizen, frugal and careful in his habits. He was well liked by all who knew him, and news of his death will be received with deep regret by a wide circle of friends.

## Man Forecasts His Death in March; Dies Ten Days Before Time

When Wes. Clark, a prominent farmer living southwest of Groton died Tuesday, he missed prophesying the date of his death only ten days.

For several years Mr. Clark predicted that his death would occur in March, 1929, and that he would die from natural causes. At Christmas time of this year, he again reiterated his conviction that he would die in March, although he was in splendid health at the time.

Then the flu epidemic hit the country. He was one of the first to become afflicted and it remained with him for some time. Later, he developed neuritis, which kept him confined for weeks, and just when he was recovering from this ailment, a disturbance appeared on his tongue. This last affliction showed symptoms of becoming quite severe, and while doctors had it under control it tended to weaken his condition.

A few days ago he experienced a reaction of the flu. Tuesday afternoon about five o'clock he breathed his last, missing prophesying the date of his death only ten days.